

## The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1897.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

H. Harby—Just Received.  
 Claremont Lodge—Regular Meeting.  
 B. B. L., Mayesville—Farm Wanted.  
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## ATTENTION.

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## PERSONAL.

Mrs. W. H. Yates left last week for the mountains.  
 Mr. Joe Chandler has gone to Anderson to spend a week.  
 Col. J. A. Rhame, of Magnolia, was in the city yesterday.  
 Mr. T. E. Richardson has gone to Charleston on business.  
 Mr. J. C. McClenaghan is spending a few days in Florence.  
 Miss Rebecca Scherrie has gone to Saluda to spend a month.  
 Miss Emma Gordon, of Lanes, is visiting friends in the city.  
 Mr. J. N. Brand, of Wilmington, N. C., was in the city Monday.  
 Miss Helen Brown is visiting Miss Mary Miller at Magnolia.  
 Miss Rhina Law has returned from visiting relatives in Darlington.  
 Mr. D. James Winn returned Sunday morning from the North.  
 Mr. W. Graham Moses, of Abbeville, is in the city visiting relatives.  
 Mr. J. W. Weldon, of Spring Hill, spent last Wednesday in the city.  
 Rev. J. W. Daniel and family arrived home Friday from the up country.  
 Messrs. W. E. Dick and J. M. Spann spent Sunday on Sullivan's Island.  
 Miss Minnie Gauthen, of Kershaw, is the guest of Miss Agnes McCallum.  
 Miss Alma McCowen, of Darlington, is visiting Mrs. John T. Green, Jr.  
 Mr. R. C. Wallace has returned from a stay of two weeks in Norwood, N. C.  
 Dr. Henry Stuckey, of Bishopville, and Mr. W. A. Stucky, of Texas, were in the city Monday.  
 Mrs. John Fowler and daughter, of Wilmington, N. C., are visiting Mrs. C. G. Bultma.  
 Mrs. L. B. Durant has returned from Boston, Mass., where she has been visiting relatives.  
 Messrs. Emma and Rosa Mood have gone to Ridgeway to visit their brother, Dr. W. M. Mood.  
 Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Brown left on Monday for Caesar's Head to spend two weeks.  
 Mrs. H. Harby and daughter, Miss Nita, went to Saluda, N. C., last week for several weeks stay.  
 Mrs. L. S. Carson left Saturday morning for Asheville, N. C., where she will spend a month or longer.  
 Miss Lillie McMahan has gone to Sumter to visit her uncle, Mr. W. F. B. Haynsworth, —Columbia Register.  
 Miss Laura Huff, who has been the guest of Mrs. W. S. Jones, left for her home in Rock Hill Saturday morning.  
 Mrs. W. A. Bowman and children were among the number of mountain excursionists who left the city last week.  
 Miss Annie Holliday is spending a few weeks with Mrs. S. A. DuRant, at the residence of Mr. W. H. Yates.  
 Miss Mattie Dupont returned Friday from Waynesville, N. C., where she spent several weeks with friends.  
 Messrs. W. B. Buros, D. J. Chandler, G. A. Lemmon and J. L. Haynsworth left Thursday afternoon for New York.  
 Mrs. Charles H. Green and children, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John T. Green, left last week for Walhalla.  
 Misses Mary and Alma Ingram left last week for Saluda, N. C., where they will spend the remainder of the summer.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Percival Smith, who have been in the city for a short time visiting Dr. Boasard, left Saturday for the mountains.  
 Misses Eva and Maggie Scarborough, of Scarborough, who have been visiting Miss Hattie McCall at Mars Bluff have returned home.  
 Mr. H. L. B. Wells and wife have gone to Portland, Me., to visit relatives. They will also visit other points of interest in the North.  
 Col. J. D. Blanding returned last Friday from the eastern shore of Virginia, where he has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Thos. T. Upshur.  
 Miss Annie Wilson, who has been the guest of Mrs. T. H. Dick, Jr., during the past few weeks, left for her home in Norfolk, Va., last Thursday.  
 Miss Jessie Polson, who has been spending sometime with Miss Ada Weldon at Smithville, has returned home, after a pleasant stay of three weeks.  
 Miss Mattie Dupont has gone to New York to spend two weeks familiarizing herself with the latest and most fashionable styles for the fall and winter.  
 Why will you buy bitter nauseating tonics when Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is as pleasant as Lemon Syrup. Your druggist is authorized to refund the money in every case where it fails to cure. Price, 50 cents.

Joe. P. Meroney, a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, has accepted a position in the prescription department of A. J. China's drug store.  
 Miss Lila Davis, of Camden, arrived in this city yesterday afternoon. She has accepted a position as nurse in the infirmary of Drs. Boasard, Baker and Dick.  
 Col. R. M. Wallace left Saturday evening for Detroit, Mich., to attend the twenty-third annual convention of the American Bankers' Association. After the adjournment of the association Col. Wallace will extend his trip to Canada, where he will visit friends. He will return home about September 1st.

Take **JOHNSON'S**  
**CHILL & FEVER**  
**TONIC.**

## DEATHS.

Mrs. Frank P. Cooper, nee Mamie Stokes, died last night in Spartanburg. She had been sick for many months, and recently her death has been expected to occur at any time and release her from suffering. She was the eldest daughter of Rev. A. J. Stokes, and had numerous friends in this city, where she attended school. She was a woman of exceptionally fine character, and was tenderly beloved by all who knew her. The funeral services will be held at Salem Brick Church to-morrow, where the interment will be made.

Dargan Blanding, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Blanding, died Thursday night at their home in this city after an illness of one week. The funeral services were held from the residence and the interment was made in the Dargan family burying ground four miles from this city.

George C. Belk, who was known to every man in town, died Sunday night after a few hours' illness. He was perfectly well all day until late in the afternoon, when he was attacked with a severe case of cholera morbus, and in a few hours was dead. The deceased was for a number of years a member of the police force and was generally liked by the many people with whom he was thrown in contact in the discharge of his duty. He was a pleasant and obliging man, and in his sphere performed his duty well and faithfully. His lot in life had not fallen in pleasant places, and those who were acquainted with the trials and difficulties he had, had nothing save sympathy for him. His wife was for years a helpless invalid and he spent not only all of his earnings on her but even the property he had acquired before removing to this city from the Providence neighborhood. When he came to Sumter, where he hoped to secure better medical attention for his wife, he had a little more than \$700 in money, every cent of which he spent without obtaining any improvement in the condition of the invalid. She was sent to the Infirmary in Charleston where she remained under treatment for seven months, but she returned as helpless and hopeless as when she went. This helpless woman and one child have been deprived of their only protector, who, though humble, did his duty faithfully and to the very best of his ability. They now stand in need, and the kind hearted and charitable people of this city should see that they do not want.

## RELIGIOUS.

The third quarterly meeting for Wedgfield Circuit will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22, at Wedgfield, by the presiding elder, Rev. T. J. Clyde.

Rev. J. W. Atrial, of Mullins, is assisting Pastor Dowell in a meeting at Wedgfield this week, which is increasing in interest.

## The Citadel Scholarship.

The board of examiners has completed the work of grading the papers of the applicants for the beneficiary scholarships in the South Carolina Military Academy and the scholarship has been awarded to Mr. W. F. Michau, of Oawego. His average was 89 per cent. The other applicants were: R. E. Barnwell, W. O. Cain, Jr., W. J. Muldrow, R. M. Canter, H. Pate and J. F. Tisdale.

There were two negroes before the Mayor Monday morning for disorderly conduct.

Plummer Johnson was before the Mayor yesterday morning for beating his wife. He was fined \$2.

The Medical Association of Sumter county held the regular quarterly meeting in the directors' room of the Bank of Sumter last Friday.

There was a largely attended dance in the Stateburg neighborhood last Thursday evening, and a number of young people from this city attended it.

The tobacco warehouse fiasco has been very generally discussed during the last week. There is some talk of raising money to run it throughout the season.

Cinco, the 5 cent straight Havana Cigar, or sale by H. G. Osteen & Co.

The School Board met Friday and elected Miss Laura Mood to fill the place of Miss Jennie Mikell until January 1st. Miss Mikell has been quite sick for several weeks and will not be able to undertake the regular school work when the school opens on September 13th.

Mr. R. M. Jenkins' residence caught on fire between 1 and 2 o'clock Monday from a spark from the kitchen chimney. The alarm was given and the department turned out promptly. Monaghan squad arrived on the scene first and extinguished the blaze at once with the chemical extinguisher.

Births and deaths reported to Health Officer Reardon for the past two weeks, ending Aug 13th, are: Births—Colored—Three males and two females. Deaths—White—One female 58 years old, one male 4 years old; colored—One male 1 year old, one male 4 years old and one female 8 days old.

A very large rattlesnake was killed near Elliotts Friday afternoon by the passengers on the Bishopville train. The snake was on the side of the track and was seen striking at the car wheels as the train passed. The train was stopped by the conductor and the male passengers got off and killed it. The snake was five inches in diameter and more than five feet in length.

The court of justice over which Judge Wells is accustomed to preside will not be closed all the while that he is absent from the city. He has made arrangements to have necessary business of the office attended to by the Magistrate of the adjacent districts. His efficient deputy, F. K. Winn, will be found at the office every day and will attend to all business within his power.

All young men who have attained voting age since the last election and all who have moved into the community recently should have their names entered on the rolls of the Sumter Democratic Club at once if they desire to vote in the Senatorial primary on August 31st. Mr. J. M. Knight is secretary of the Club and will receive the names of all applicants for membership in the club.

Mr. James Blackwell who was murdered on Saturday by a tramp on the Wilson Short Cut division of the Atlantic Coast Line, was a flagman and was well known in this section of the State. He lived at Foreston, Clarendon county, where he recently purchased a farm from his savings and located his father upon it. He has relatives in this and Clarendon county, and was a nephew of Mr. John I. Brogdon, of Brogdon.

Several young ladies presented themselves last Friday at the office of County Superintendent of Education DuRant to stand the examination for admission to Winthrop Normal College, but the examination could not be held as advertised. President Johnson failed to send the examination papers to Mr. DuRant and there was nothing for him to do but inform the young ladies that he would advise them by mail when the examination will be held.

Delgar Reel squad turned out Thursday afternoon in their parade uniforms. The horse wagon filled with girls, wearing the squad colors, was driven through the principal streets to give Sumter people an opportunity of seeing the squad as they appeared when in 'fayetteville. The Delgar boys in their white duck suits, trimmed with blue, certainly present a handsome appearance, and it is not at all surprising that they received first prize as the handsomest squad of firemen in the parade in Fayetteville.

## Dr. Dwight's Unfortunate Accident

Dr. F. M. Dwight, of Wedgfield, met with a painful and unfortunate accident a few days ago that deprived him of the sight of his right eye. He was opening a bottle of medicine and the cork popped out, striking him full in the eye. The sight of the eye was totally destroyed.

## New Cotton.

Mr. J. H. Mahoney, of Packville, brought the first bale of new cotton to this market Saturday. It was bought by O'Donnell & Co., 730 and was graded as middling. The bale weighed 512 and was a better grade of cotton than usual with the first bale. A good many bales are expected this week as a number of planters have sent word to the cotton buyers that they have cotton ready for the market. The first bale last year was sold on August 7th.

Mr. H. Drane Tindal sold two bales of new cotton Monday to Levi Bros. The bales weighed 581 and 590 pounds and were classed as strict low middling and were sold for 7½ cents per pound.

The Sumter Club rooms will be thrown open on Thursday evening to the young people. The club will have refreshments served and a committee of ladies will be present to see that the young friends of the club members have a good time.

The excursion to the mountains last Wednesday carried between two and three hundred people. The special carried three coaches full and the regular train had four coaches and took on a fifth coach here. There were quite a number of passengers from the Pee Dee section who came in on the morning trains and joined the excursionists here to go through to the mountains. Capt. H. A. Wells had charge of the special and Capt. W. G. Webb went through to Asheville with the excursionists.

While the special excursion train was standing at the depot Wednesday morning a sneak thief entered one of the coaches and stole a purse containing \$43 and a railroad ticket. The lady to whom it belonged left it lying on the seat while she looked out of the window, and when she returned it was gone. Dan Robinson, colored, has been arrested on suspicion. He was seen loafing around the depot while the train was there, and as he is known to be a smooth individual and an accomplished thief, he was the first party to be looked after by the police. He denies all knowledge of the purse, and so far there is nothing in the way of proof against him.

Willie Parker has been arrested as an accomplice of Dan Robinson in the robbery of Mrs. O'Neill on the excursion train last Wednesday. They have both been in jail on numerous occasions for larceny, and they do a general business in the way of stealing, letting no favorable opportunity pass by unimproved. They were at the depot yesterday morning, but disappeared soon after the train pulled out, and the description of the negro who was seen by passengers on the train fits Robinson. Both Robinson and Parker deny all knowledge of the robbery, but they are held until the matter can be fully investigated.

## Take JOHNSON'S CHILL & FEVER TONIC.

A crowd of young men had a fish-fry at Blanding's Millpond Thursday night, and all except two members of the party have been laughing all day over the fun they had. The fish-fry was extra fine and the moonlight was of the most select vintage. Everything conspired to render the fishy feast a soul and appetite-satisfying occasion. The minstrel performance was given by Messrs. George Ricker and Sam Chandler, who took a backwards dive into the mill race when the bridge railing gave way under their combined weight. The remainder of the party who were left on the terra firma relate that the two divers stood in the water (which was a little more than waist deep) and besought them to save them from drowning. Louis Lyons is the historian of the fish fry crowd, and will give all inquirers a veracious account of the night's mishaps and pleasures.

Senator John L. McLaurin passed through the city Friday afternoon en route to his home in Bennettsville for a few days rest. After his sudden and severe illness at the Yorkville meeting he was advised by his physician to rest for a few days before attempting to make any more speeches, or the ill effects on his health would be serious and result in permanent injury. He did not attend the meeting in Lancaster Friday of that in Camden Saturday. It is expected that a few days rest will restore his strength and he will be in fine trim to make the greatest effort of his life in the Pee Dee section. He is confident of election and will prosecute the campaign to the close on the line he laid down in his initial speech, delivered in this city. He has gained strength in the Piedmont region, and the combination candidates will have no walk over in any of the counties they are counting on.

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Glenn Springs Water will cure Dyspepsia. For sale at Dr. A. J. China's.

## AN OFFICIAL EXPRESSION

As to the Game-Cock City Boys at Fayetteville.

HEADQUARTERS CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT, FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Aug. 8, 1897.  
 Editor Daily Item, Sumter, S. C.

My Dear Sir: I feel that I would be lacking in ordinary courtesy did I not ask of you the privilege, through your columns, of expressing my full appreciation and thanks to the Sumter Fire Department, from chief to driver, for the hearty, whole-souled and splendid manner, in which they assisted me in making our State Tournament such a perfect success.

The "Inter-state," feature was entirely a conception of my own, and one that I now have reason to feel especially proud of. I had always heard of Sumter as a "Game Cock" City, and that her boys were "daisies"; but, my dear sir, the half had not been told me.

The "Delgers," by their fine appearance and general attractiveness, won from my young lady reel team, their decision as to uniform prize, and from the best teams in the State the first prize for the wagon service, whilst the "Monaghans" won from our entire people, their highest praise and appreciation for their fine appearance, costume, behaviour and elegant horse wagon outfit.

I am personally very grateful to them for their visit, and only hope that I may again have the pleasure of meeting up with such a genial, clever, well-bred and up-to-date set of fellow firemen and gentlemen.

Yours, &c.,  
 JAS. D. MCNEIL,  
 Chief Fire Dept.

Dr. Baylis H. Earle.

Dr. Baylis H. Earle, son of the late Senator Earle, has decided to locate in Greenville and practice his profession. Dr. Earle graduated at the Charleston Medical college in 1892. After graduating he took a post graduate course at the New York polyclinic and entered a competitive examination and secured the appointment of surgeon at the New York Hospital for the Insane on Blackwell's Island. He served one term at this hospital and in another competitive examination received the appointment of surgeon at Ward's Island, New York, where he remained until he was appointed surgeon of the Dutch steamship Veendam, running between Rotterdam and New York.

He resigned this position and was appointed surgeon of the Metropolitan hospital, New York. Later he entered into competitive examination and was appointed surgeon of the celebrated New York City Maternity hospital. After the death of his father he resigned this position and decided to return to Greenville. Very few young physicians have advanced so rapidly in their profession. —Greenville News, Aug. 11.

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### BIRD DOG FOR SALE.

As I have at present no use for her, I offer for sale my well broke Pointer, "DELL". She is too well known to the Sportsmen of Sumter to need any recommendation. See H. G. Osteen, Sumter, or address me at Smithville, S. C.

N. G. OSTTEEN, Jr.

### Claremont Lodge No. 64 A. F. M.

THE REGULAR MONTHLY COMMUNICATION of Claremont Lodge, No. 44, A. F. M., will be held on Thursday Evening, September 9th, at 7½ p. m. Brethren will take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

### MACHINERY FOR SALE.

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 One Grist Mill and fixtures and all appliances to said machinery.  
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Any \$1.50, \$1.25 or \$1.00 Negligee Shirt in stock—or in our windows—at 75c. Just think of it, a shirt you bought at the first of the season you can duplicate at 75c; our 75c and 50c lines are also reduced.

Any \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00 or 75c Straw Hat in our store for 50 cents. We have some of each of these prices that we would like to close out at the ridiculous low price of 50 cents. You can afford to throw your old one away and wear a new one for the next six weeks.

The few Summer Coats and extra Pants that we still have can be bought at less than it costs to handle them.

Odd sizes of Odd Lots in Ladies' Slippers and Oxfords that will have to be sold.

For those going traveling, we have a fine assortment of Trunks and Valises—prices right.

For those remaining at home we have a few comfort and pleasure givers called Hammocks. Only a few left, so prices are reduced to move them.

Children's Straw Hats and Tam O'Shantee and Sailor Caps. The few left over will go cheap.

These lots and some few others must go, as our Fall Goods are already coming in.

We wish to let our customers, and the public in general, know that the larger portion of our stock was bought before the signing of the New Tariff Bill by the President, since which prices have advanced considerably. We intend to make this good fortune of ours, yours also, by giving our customers the advantage of the difference in price.

**SPECIAL**—Balance of the lot of Bicycle Suits at \$1.98. These are good suits that we bought at a price because the manufacturer needed money. Each and every one of them cost a great deal more to make them. The goods are worth the price. Every bicycle rider should have one. It looks better and feels better to ride in a regular bicycle suit. Try one and be convinced, \$1.98. Bicycle Footless Hose, 50 cents.

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